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election/amendment
3 drawing sheets with proposed changes.

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Inventor: Fitzpatrick	SEP 23 2004
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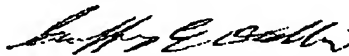
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**Response to First Office Action and Amendment**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Examiner:

This Response and Amendment is in response to Examiner's First Office Action, dated August 23, 2004 with a period of response set to expire September 23, 2004. Pursuant to Examiner's Election Requirement, Applicant elects Species A without traverse, upon which all claims should read.

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Applicant requests the following Amendments be entered:

IN THE DRAWINGS:

Applicant has submitted new versions of three drawing sheets, incorporating changes to make the drawings comport with the Specification. No new matter is added as reference numerals are added to existing figures and three figures are renumbered.

1. Figures 7, 8 and 9 should be renumbered 6, 7, and 8 respectively.
2. Reference numeral 34 should be added to Figure 4.
3. Reference numeral 30 should be added to FIGS. 9a, 9b, and 9c.